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Arcadia, Caulks' Field House

1743

Fairlee

Private

Caulks' Field House is a vernacular building with the date 1743 in the gable. It is a two story, three bay brick building with gable roof and small brick side wing. The brick detailing is fine with Flemish bond with glazed headers used on major facades. The water table steps up over segmental arches above the basement windows.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Arcadia

AND/OR COMMON

Caulks' Field House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Rt. 20, near Fairlee

CITY, TOWN

Fairlee

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Kent

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES, RESTRICTED☐ YES, UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

TULIP FOREST FARMING CORP.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

RD#2

CITY, TOWN

CHESTERTOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

MD

STATE, zip code

21620

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Kent County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Maryland 21620

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Caulks Field House is on Rt. 20 near Fairlee, up a long lane, .6 miles north of Sandy Bottom Road. It stands amid cultivated fields facing west.

The main house is a two story, three bay brick building with a steep gable roof. There is a date, 1743, in the north gable and in form and detailing the structure is typical of vernacular houses of that period. An old brick wing, one and one-half stories high and three bays wide stands against the north gable. As deep as the main house, it is slightly out of line with it. The wing has central entrances, front and rear, each flanked by two 6/6 sash windows. The second floor is lit by four shed dormers which extend from the roof ridge. Like the main house, the old wing has a very steep roof and an enclosed end chimney which retains its drip course but has lost its old cap.

The brick work of the main house is exceptional. The west (main facade) is laid in Flemish bond with all glazed headers; the south gable has the same glazing and bonding pattern. Mortar joints on all walls are grapevined. Window openings on the two basement and the two first floor windows have segmental arches of alternating stretchers and two vertically aligned headers. The lower of these headers is glazed. There are no arches above the second floor windows. The entrance door on both west and east facades is quite wide and headed by a segmental arch bonded and glazed as are the window openings. There is a four-pane transom light and Victorian and modern doors. The beveled water table is found on all four facades, providing a base for the building. It steps up over the basement windows (see, "The Reward, K-90) and is laid in English bond. Brick chimneys are enclosed within end walls and have banded caps. The north gable is laid in _____ bond; the east facade is identical to the west except for the omission of the glazed headers. The brick is dark red in color.

Windows are evenly spaced on front and rear facades. There are no windows in the north gable of the main house, but there are two small attic windows on the south facade. There is also a tiny window left of the fireplace. It has a segmental arch of alternating glazed and plain headers and resembled similar windows at Lamb's Meadow (K-113). A modern gable roofed brick cellar entrance right of the chimney may have replaced another such window. At Lamb's Meadows these small windows light a closet and an interior cellar stair. 2/2 Victorian sash are used in all windows.

All exterior wooden detailing, including window trim, cornice and verge board is covered with aluminum siding.

Entrance porches are modern, however, an outline of a wide, one story porch remains on the west facade and of a steep gable roofed porch or shed on the east.

The survey team was unable to study the interior of this house.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

1743

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Caulk's Field is significant for its architecture and for its role in Kent County history.

It is a remarkably intact and unchanged (on the exterior) example of the mid-17th century vernacular country house. The narrow, tall structure with steep roof, high chimneys, and prominent base are architypical of that architectural period. Also typical is the meticulous attention to detailing and extraordinary craftsmanship seen in the brick work. In all likelihood the wooden detailing, if it survives, would show the same high skill and careful detailing.

Caulk's Field house stands on a part of the grant called Arcadia which was granted to the big land owner and vestryman of St. Paul's Church, Michael Miller, on May 5, 1682.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 USILTON, FRED G. HISTORY OF KENT COUNTY, MD. 1630-1916, (CHESTERTOWN, 1916.)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

MARSHA L. FRITZ, CONSULTANT

ORGANIZATION

KENT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

DATE

AUGUST 1977

STREET & NUMBER

CHURCH ALLEY

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

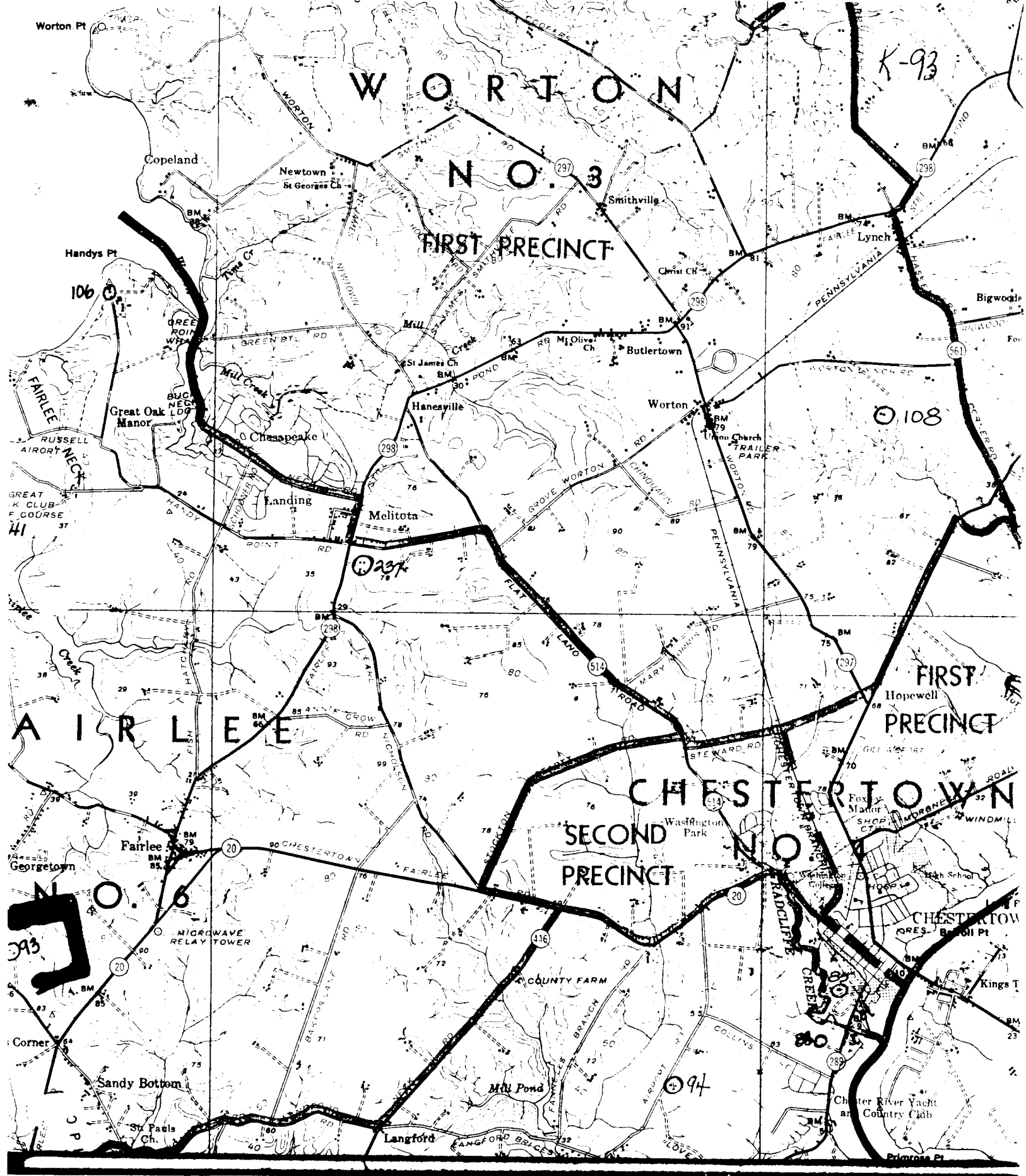
CHESTERTOWN, MD. 21620

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438



X-4.

Map showing land parcels, roads, and water bodies. Key locations include FARLEY P.O., REES CORNER, ROCK HALL P.O., and LANKFORD P.O. The map is marked with 'X-4.' in the top right corner.

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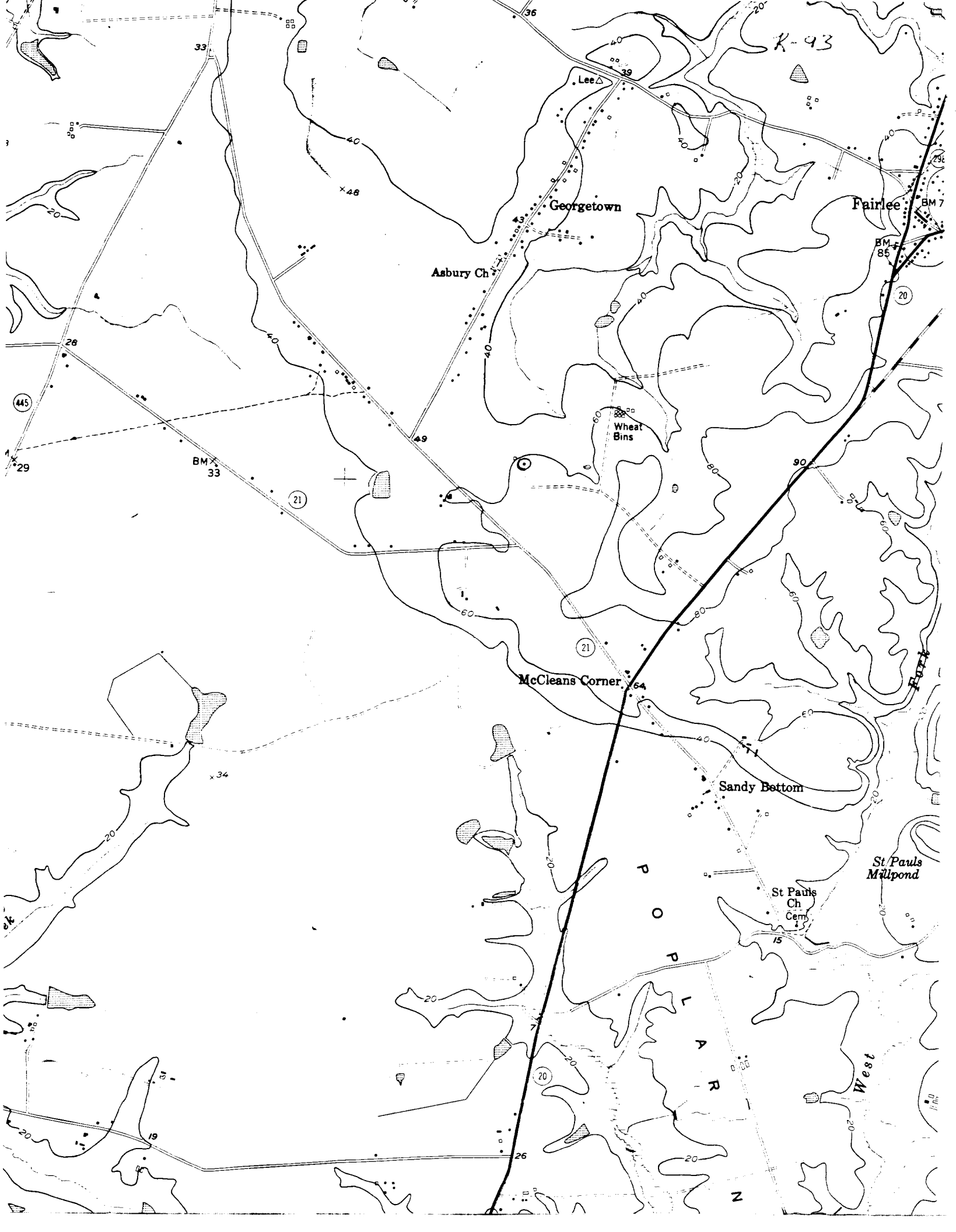
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REESES CORNER





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CAULKS FIELD HOUSE MHT 93

ROCKHALL - FAIRLEE RD ROUTE 20 - FAIRLEE, MD

FRONT - SOUTHEAST

C-ENGSTROM AUG. 1977



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Cooks Field House . M. A. T. 93

Rock Hall - Fairlee Rd. - Route 20.

Fairlee Md.

Front - Southeast.

C. Engstrom Aug. 1977